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SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS IN PANAMA

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GUTHRIE LETTER, 12/9/76; (D) STATE 2553; (E) PANAMA
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1. REQUEST YOUR PERMISSION TO DECLASSIFY AND QUOTE IN
OUR RESPONSE TO CONGRESSMAN FRASER THE FOLLOWING PARA-
GRAPH, WHICH IS BASED ON THE PARAGRAPH ABOUT THE
DECLARACION DE PANAMA ON PAGE 17 OF THE MAY-GUTHRIE
LETTER:

BEGIN QUOTE SIXTH, THE REPORT AND ITS SOURCES ARE OPEN TO
QUESTION FROM A POLITICAL POINT OF VIEW. SOME OF THE
EVIDENCE INCLUDED IN THE REPORT MAY HAVE COME FROM THE
"DECLARATION OF PANAMA," A BOOKLET PRINTED IN 1971 IN
MEXICO BY THE MOVIMIENTO DE LIBERACION NACIONAL (MLN)
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CASUALTIES IT CLAIMED IT HAD SUFFERED AT THE HANDS OF
THE NATIONAL GUARD. END QUOTE

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